

BARE MAJORITY

Of the First Branch of Council Favored the Ordinance

FOR CHARTER SPECIAL ELECTION

So Under the Rules Consideration Is Again Postponed.

POLITICS DIDN'T FIGURE IN IT

As Members of Both Parties Voted on Each Side of the Question—Members Give their Reasons for Opposition to the Ordinance—Resolutions on the Death of Councilman Alexander Frew Passed. The Ambulance Presented the City by Mr. Samuel Bloch Accepted—The New Health Ordinance Considered—Other Business Transacted by the City Legislature.

Last night's special meeting of the city council was largely attended, there being only three absentees in the second branch. There was also a very numerous lobby in attendance and the interest taken in the several pieces of legislation was intense, particularly in the action of the first branch on the ordinance fixing December 22 as the date for the special election for the acceptance or rejection of the new city charter.

Of the eleven members of the first branch present, six voted to adopt the ordinance and five were against it. At first it was thought that this disposed of the matter, but Mr. Farrell called attention to the fact that when a two-thirds majority is not had, the ordinance must go over to the next meeting for a second passage by a bare majority. So the ordinance will come up against the regular meeting of council on December 22, the day, by the way, fixed in the ordinance for the special election. Of course the ordinance will now have to be amended, fixing a date later than the 22d. It has been suggested that the election take place a week later, Tuesday, December 23. It is said that there may be a stronger opposition to the charter ordinance at the next meeting than was in evidence last night. If this is true the ordinance will be defeated, as it had but one majority last night. On the other hand, the supporters of the new charter declare that their full strength was not out last night, and that a majority of the entire membership of the branch favor submitting the charter to a vote of the people.

A MAJORITY OF ONE

Was Given the New Charter Ordinance in the First Branch—Under the Rules It Goes Over Until the Next Regular Meeting of Council.

Ten members of the first branch answered to their names at roll call. His Honor, the mayor being in the chair, as follows: Messrs. Britt, Ebeling, Farrell, Haller, McKelvey, Menckemeyer, Paul, Robinson, Wiedebusch and Zwicker. Mr. Otto came in later.

Immediately after the reading of the brief minutes of Tuesday evening's session, the mayor announced that the first business was the ordinance providing for a charter special election, which had been read for the first time at a former meeting, and which was endorsed and adopted by the second branch. He ordered the second reading of the measure, and the clerk proceeded by sections.

No member of the charter commission was present, but Messrs. Tishie and Bodley, at one time members of the commission from the Trades Assembly, came in while the reading was in progress.

The reading having been concluded, the clerk read the measure a third time by its title, and the mayor ordered the roll called on the passage of the ordinance, there being no disposition on the part of anyone to engage in a debate. When the name of Mr. Haller was called, that gentleman took the floor and said:

"Mr. Mayor:—I desire to explain my vote. While there are a good many good things in the charter—some which are very good, and which I favor, there are others which I do not favor, and in one respect I don't think there is any use in our spending \$750 or \$800 for a special election. If it could be submitted at the regular election I would be more in favor of it. I vote no."

When Captain Otto's name was called, he said:

"While I propose to vote against the charter when it is submitted, I think it is my duty to submit it to the people. I vote aye."

When Mr. Zwicker's name was called he said:

"I wish to state the reason why I vote no. The proposed charter has never been read before this body. I, therefore, vote no."

The roll call was then completed, as follows:

Ayes—Messrs. Britt, Ebeling, McKelvey, Otto, Paul and Robinson; total, 6.

Noes—Messrs. Farrell, Haller, Menckemeyer, Wiedebusch and Zwicker; total, 5.

The mayor started to declare the ordinance adopted, but Mr. Farrell called his attention to rule No. 29, which requires a two-thirds vote or a majority at two successive meetings, and the ordinance went over until the next.

ROUTINE BUSINESS.

A Busy Night in Council—Resolutions on Mr. Frew's Death—The Offer of Mr. Samuel Bloch of an Ambulance Was Accepted.

The second branch was called to order at 8:10 p. m. Chairman Stathers in the chair, and the following members present: Messrs. Bodley, T. G. Britt, Campbell, Chow, Epp, Elliott, Fahr, Hahne, Hamilton, Higgins, Kern, Lindsay, Loom, Potter, Betzer, Taylor, Urmohlen, Ussellon, Waterhouse, Wells, Wendel, Stathers; total, 24.

The first business transacted was the passage of the following resolutions of respect on the death of the late Alexander Frew, who was a member of the second branch of council:

Whereas, The wisdom of a Divine Providence has called from among us a fellow member of the City Council, and

Whereas, We recognize the loss sustained by the government of the city of Wheeling, and by his conferees in council, therefore, be it

Resolved, That we deplore the death of our fellow member of council, Alexander Frew, of the First ward, and feel that council has sustained a severe loss through his removal by death, and further be it

Resolved, That the Council of the City of Wheeling tender to the family of the deceased its deepest sympathy in this, the time of their grief, and further be it

Resolved, That the Council of the City of Wheeling spread upon the city record and an engraved copy sent to the family

ALEX. R. CAMPBELL, JAMES A. HENNEGAN, J. P. FARRELL, J. H. WELLS, Committee of Council.

Clerk Dannenberg read the minutes of several preceding meetings, which were adopted as read. This consumed some fifteen minutes.

T. G. Britt moved that council go into the election of a successor of the late Alexander Frew, of the First ward. Mr. Arndt nominated Mr. William H. Muegge. Mr. Muegge was selected unanimously and was sworn into office, after which he took his seat. The new member was placed on committees on which Mr. Frew served.

City Clerk Dannenberg read his report of the condition of the city funds, which was given in last Wednesday's Intelligencer. The balances foot up \$25,608.62.

The health committee reported bills, which were ordered paid.

The committee on petitions and re-

monstrances recommended licenses for saloons be granted to Albert Card, James Arthur and Thomas Hennegan. Mr. Baird moved to refer the Hennegan application back to the committee. It was decided to act on the applications separately. Mr. Card and his surties were not present, so his application goes over until the next meeting of council. The Arthur application was acted upon favorably. The Hennegan application was taken up. Mr. Waterhouse moved the application be referred back to the committee and Mr. Hamilton seconded the motion. Mr. Campbell claimed that the license had been granted when council adopted the resolution brought in by the committee, but the chair overruled the objection. A resolution from property owners in the vicinity of Twentieth and Main streets was then read; it says there is already enough saloons in that locality and asks for a further consideration. A vote was taken on the Waterhouse motion which prevailed without opposition.

The committee on streets, alleys and grades reported recommendations for a curb line on South York street, Island, and on Baker street, East End. The committee reported grades on streets in the North End, also on streets in the East End and South Side. In the South York street matter, Mr. Waterhouse offered an amendment instructing the board of public works to place a curb there, which carried.

The committee on ordinances reported its endorsement of the Hunter tender for use on the cars of the Wheeling-Hawley Company. Mr. Campbell feared the endorsement of any particular tender might perhaps make the city liable for damages from accidents. His motion to lay the matter on the table was discussed at length. Dr. Stathers, chairman of the committee, made an explanation; he had consulted with Mayor Caldwell and they had come to the conclusion that the committee on ordinances should put the stamp of its disapproval or approval on it. The motion to lay on the table prevailed.

Health Officer Jepson placed papers before council regarding the late small pox contagion, and stating that in other cities the health officer receives extra compensation for services. The communication was placed on file.

The committee on health reported the new health ordinance framed at recent meetings of the committee. It provides for no extra compensation for the city's health officer in times of epidemic. The health officer can employ, when permitted by council, assistants. The health officer shall be open daily at least four hours. The ordinance also provides for precautions during epidemics. The health officer shall not furnish medicines unless given instructions so to do by council. Fines from \$1 to \$20 for violations of sections of the ordinance are provided for. At the conclusion of the first reading, Mr. Hamilton moved that further action be deferred until the ordinance is printed and a copy furnished each member. The motion went through without objection.

The committee on elections made its report, designating voting places in the several wards for the approaching election in January.

FIRST WARD.

Precinct No. 1—255 Main street.

Precinct No. 2—215 Main street.

Precinct No. 3—Vigilant engine house.

Precinct No. 4—237 Market street.

SECOND WARD.

Precinct No. 1—Second ward market hall.

Precinct No. 2—Chemical engine house.

Precinct No. 3—1073 McCulloch street.

Precinct No. 4—1225 Eoff street.

THIRD WARD.

Precinct No. 1—1212 Market street.

Precinct No. 2—Police court room, city building.

Precinct No. 3—Northwest corner Woods and Eoff streets.

Precinct No. 4—196 Fourteenth street.

FOURTH WARD.

Precinct No. 1—Atlantic engine house.

Precinct No. 2—Bishop's hall, Eighteenth street.

Precinct No. 3—1721 Woods street.

FIFTH WARD.

Precinct No. 1—Hook and ladder house.

Precinct No. 2—215 Main street.

Precinct No. 3—237 Main street.

SIXTH WARD.

Precinct No. 1—237 Market street.

Precinct No. 2—228 Eoff street.

Precinct No. 3—24 Twenty-sixth street.

Precinct No. 4—225 Eoff street.

Precinct No. 5—239 Eoff street.

Precinct No. 6—245 Woods street.

SEVENTH WARD.

Precinct No. 1—Milk dairy, South Front street.

Precinct No. 2—Logan club rooms, South Broadway.

Precinct No. 3—Lukens's warehouse, North Broadway.

Precinct No. 4—Island hose house, Zane street.

EIGHTH WARD.

Precinct No. 1—337 Jacob street.

Precinct No. 2—319 Jacob street.

Precinct No. 3—325 Jacob street.

Precinct No. 4—325 Jacob street.

The report of the committee includes a resolution fixing the date of the city election January 28, 1897; another fixing the pay of election officers as follows: Commissioners, \$1 and fifty cents for meals; clerks, \$1, and fifty cents for meals; the commissioner who procures the ballot box to receive \$2 extra compensation. The report and resolutions were adopted as read.

Bills were ordered paid as follows:

Health committee.....\$ 122.60

Committee on elections..... 49.28

Fire department..... 55.41

Committee on streets..... 32.50

Committee on markets..... 114.50

Police department..... 43.13

City prison..... 160.42

Streets, alleys and grades..... 33.50

Board of public works..... 125.97

Total.....\$2,433.11

Mathias Altmeyer resigned as welgher at Sixteenth and Eoff streets.

The city welghmaster reported having appointed O. P. Chambers as deputy at this scale in the meantime. On motion, the first branch was invited to elect a joint vote to elect Altmeyer's successor.

The motion prevailed. Mayor Caldwell presided at the joint session. The roll was called showing the presence of nine members of the first branch and twenty-five of the second branch; necessary to a choice, 18. Mr. Ussellon nominated Samuel Cole; Mr. Chow nominated George Crumbacher; nominations were then closed, and a vote taken, which resulted as follows:

Cole..... 18

Thompson..... 16

Crumbacher..... 6

The joint session was then dissolved. Mr. Waterhouse introduced a resolution reciting that whereas Mr. S. S. Bloch desires to furnish the city with an ambulance, of the kind of car, the committee is instructed to secure plans for a suitable house for its accommodation. Dr. Stathers said Mr. Bloch desires council to designate a name for the ambulance. The doctor said there would be little or no additional expense in connection with the ambulance. The driver and team of the police paid extra when there is an ambulance call. This ambulance will fill a long felt want and he hoped that council would accept the gift unanimously. The vote was unanimous on Mr. Waterhouse's resolution. Dr. Taylor moved that a committee be named to select a name for the ambulance and to help in the purchase of a suitable house for its accommodation. The following committee was named: Messrs. D. H. Taylor, Alex. Campbell and C. A. Robinson.

Citizens in the eastern part of the city on the toll gate on the national road asked council to order board walk. Mr. Wells introduced a resolution requesting the board of public works to construct the proposed walk.

Mr. Kallidizer's resolution providing that the Central market be open Thursday, December 24, instead of Christmas day, was passed in both branches.

THE PRIMARY

Election of the Wheeling Republicans Will Take Place To-day—Interest in the Outcome is at Fever Heat—Where the Voting Will Take Place.

To-day between the hours of 11 a. m. and 7 p. m., the Republicans of Wheeling will hold their municipal primary election, and the interest in the fight that is being waged for the majority nomination, is so warm that the vote will be probably be larger than that cast at any previous primary election for the selection of municipal nominees. Messrs. Butler, Maxwell, Connel and Schultze are all working hard for the nomination and each man has the aid of dozens of active lieutenants. This being true it is likely that the vote will go beyond 4,000 and may even reach the 5,000 mark.

Yesterday morning Mr. Stephen McCulloch, one of the Republican aspirants for the mayoralty nomination, formally withdrew from the race, leaving four yet in the field, who will of course stay to the finish. It was also rumored that Mr. Schultze, of the South Side, would withdraw in favor of Mr. Butler, but the squire indignantly denied this rumor when seen last night. He proposes to stay in the contest and expects to poll more votes than any other candidate for the nomination.

Of course the interest in the fight for the mayoralty has thrown the other contests in the shadow, but the candidates for chief of police and city clerk are putting up a lively campaign. Many predictions are being made as to the result, but the Intelligencer will not make any for several reasons, the best of which is that the outcome is very difficult of prediction.

The voting will be done at the following places:

First ward—Vigilant Engine House.  
Second ward—Market House.  
Third ward—Police Court room.  
Fourth ward—Atlantic Engine House.  
Fifth ward—Hook and Ladder House.  
Sixth ward—K. of P. Temple.  
Seventh ward—At Home House and Police Box at end of Suspension bridge.  
Eighth ward—No. 337 Jacob street and No. 123 Jacob street.

CARD FROM MR. MAXWELL

He Answers Some Stories About His Connection With the School Board—Never Was a Member of that Body.

To the Editor of the Intelligencer.

SIR:—Interested persons are circulating stories about certain things I am supposed to have done as a member of the board of education.

It is said that when contracts were to be let for the new Lincoln school building I voted to give a contract to a non-resident, to the prejudice of home town labor.

It is also said against me that when the same board was about to let contracts for coal, I voted against giving the contract to the lowest bidder, a responsible person.

As I have never been a member of the board of education, it is clear that I am not guilty as charged. It is evident that the statements were made to influence votes against me in the contest for the Republican nomination for mayor.

Very respectfully,  
JAMES B. MAXWELL.

THE "CAKE WALK"

By Colored Folks at Beethoven Hall Was Largely Attended.

The colored folks had a good time at Beethoven hall last night. The occasion was a "cake walk" concert and ball, and it was attended by a very large crowd of both colored and white people, the latter drawn there to see the "cake walk," which never fails to amuse the multitude.

The affair was in the hands of the "399's Nii," at least that's what the balls said, and the bills never prevaricate. Anyhow a large crowd was present and everybody had a good time. Shortly after 12 o'clock the cake walk took place and it was participated in by about a dozen couples. The judges sat on the stage and after a fair trial awarded the prize cake to Arch Johnson and his charming partner, Mrs. Harvey Roy. After the walk the dance was resumed and continued until a late hour. Refreshments of all kinds were served and nothing was left undone to make the night a memorable one.

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